GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of achievements made under the poverty alleviation programmes;

(b) further efforts being made to make it more effective;

(c) whether World Bank provides assistance to reduce poverty; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith its utilization ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) The Ministry of Rural development implement two major poverty alleviation Schemes, namely, the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) and the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) in all the rural areas of the country for the persons living below the poverty line. An amount of Rs. 5886.74 crore was utilised by all Sates and UTs and 7482.93 lakh mandays employment was generated under the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) during 2003-04. Similarly, under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) a total amount of Rs. 1044.25 crore was utilized by all States and UTs. providing financial assistance to 8.96 lakh Swarojgaris for taking up Self Employment during 2003-04.

(b) The Ministry of Rural Development regularly reviews the performance of the rural development programmes and monitoring is made strict. The Ministry has also reconstituted Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at the State/District Levels under the Chairmanship of Members of Parliament who have a crucial role in the implementation of Rural Development Schemes, so as to make the programmes more effective.

(c) & (d) World Bank provides assistance to reduce poverty and in particular for District Poverty Initiatives projects in the States of Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhatisgarh. Further Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction project in 17 districts of Andhra Pradesh is also being implemented with the assistance of World Bank. The details of the poverty alleviation projects being implemented with the World Bank assistance in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhatisgarh are as under:

(Amount in US$ million)

S.No.	Project Name	Donor	Signing Date	Terminal date	Project Cost	Amount Of Loan	Disbursement	Grant
	Cumulative Utilisation of loan/grant amount upto 31.10.04							
1.	A.P-District Poverty Initiatives Project	IDA	12.5.2000	31.12.2005	134.80	111	69.463	
2.	AP. Rural Poverty Reduction Project	IDA	3.4.2003	30.9.2008	275.00	150	31.671	
3.	Madhya Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives Project	IDA	5.12.2000	30.6.2006	134.70	110.1	36.550	

4. Rajasthan District Poverty Initiatives Project	IDA	19.5.2000	31.12.2005	124.80	100.5	35.267
5. Chhatisgarh District Rural Poverty Project	IDA	18.8.2003	31.3.2009	129.35	112.56	5.000